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PROPOSALS

BY THE

DISPENSARY-SOCIETY,

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For ſupplying the Nobility, Gentry and other reputable Perſons or Families, with all Sorts of MEDICINES required in time of Sickneſs, at the Rate of Two Shillings by the Quarter to each Subſcriber.

TO give the Town ſome Idea of this Deſign, we deſire it may be obſerv'd,

I. THAT (in order to have the Situation as commodious as poſſible) a DISPENSARY is now erecting near *TOM*'s COFFEE-HOUSE in *Great Ruſſel-Street*, *Covent-Garden*, to be open'd at *Michaelmas* next, furniſh'd with the beſt Collection of Medicines, *Galenical* and Chymical, and is always to be ſubject to the Examination and Inſpection of the Honourable the PRESIDENT and FELLOWS of the College of Phyſicians.

II. THAT any Maſter of a Family ſhall be allow'd to Subſcribe for himſelf ſingly, or for his whole Family, or for any Part of it, upon the aforeſaid Terms of Two Shillings by the Quarter for each Perſon ſubſcribed for.

III. THAT every Perſon ſubſcribing ſhall enter down his Name and Place of Abode, in the Book kept at the DISPENSARY or elſewhere for that Uſe, and ſhall make regular Quarterly Payments within 14 Days after each Quarter terminates; upon failure of which they are to be excluded all Benefit of the DISPENSARY.

IV. THAT as Lodgers and Servants are Perſons leſs conſtant to their Habitations than Houſe-keepers, 'tis expected that ſuch Subſcribers ſhou'd make their firſt Payment upon the Day of Subſcription, and ſo afterwards upon the ſucceſſive Quarter Days.

V. THAT every Subſcriber, upon the firſt Notice given of his or her Indiſpoſition, ſhall be forthwith attended by ſome able and well experienc'd Apothecary belonging to the DISPENSARY, who ſhall adminiſter both Medicine and Advice during the whole Seaſon of the Indiſpoſition; and if the Malady be ſuch as requires the Attendance of a Phyſician, the Patient calling in his Family Phyſician, or what other he pleaſes, ſhall have his Preſcription faithfully made up at the DISPENSARY, where he may be aſſured of the beſt Drugs and Medicines, it being the Intereſt of the SOCIETY to procure the Subſcribers Health and Recovery as ſoon as poſſible.

VI. THAT it is the Reſolution of the SOCIETY, that no Medicines be allowed to any Perſon in Caſes of Surgery or the Venereal Diſeaſe, and theſe are the only Diſorders THE SOCIETY exclude the Benefit of the DISPENSARY.

VII. THAT as this Deſign is to make People eaſy only againſt the Contingent Expences of Sickneſs, no one already labouring under Illneſs muſt expect the Privilege of ſubſcribing, the Book being open to ſuch only who appear in Health at the Time they enter their Names.

VIII. WE alſo beg it may be obſerv'd, that as the Uſe and Privilege of this DISPENSARY are to extend no farther than to the Inhabitants of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, and their reſpective Suburbs, ſo no Perſon muſt expect to be ſupplied with Medicines, or attended by the APOTHECARIES of the SOCIETY out of thoſe Bounds, thoſe Subſcribers only excepted, who remove (by Advice) for the Benefit of the Air to any adjacent Parts, within five or ſix Miles of *London*, where we oblige our ſelves to attend them in the ſame manner as at Home.